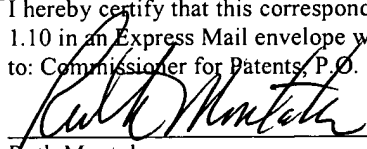


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated August 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A three-month extension of time along with the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.